IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Shoriki NARITA et al. :

Serial No. NEW : Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH

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BUMP FORMING APPARATUS FOR CHARGE APPEARANCE SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE, CHARGE REMOVAL METHOD FOR CHARGE APPEARANCE SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE, CHARGE REMOVING UNIT FOR CHARGE APPEARANCE SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE, AND CHARGE APPEARANCE SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE (Rule 1.53(b) Divisional of Serial No. 10/019,700, Filed January 2, 2002)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, kindly amend the application as follows: